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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

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This Amendment After Final Rejection is being filed in response to the Final Office Action mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on June 13, 2002 in the above-identified application.

A Notice of Appeal and a three month extension of time for filing a Notice of Appeal from the Final Office Action dated June 13, 2002, were filed on December 17, 2002. A Brief on Appeal will be due on February 17, 2003.